

AND LO! THAT BRIDGE FELL!

The Experts and Monmouth Freeholders Stepped on the Pleasure Pay Draw, and It Gave Way.

JUST WHAT FREEHOLDERS WANTED.

The Investigation Committee Then Examined Other Bridges, but None of Them Collapsed.

(Special to The World.)
ASSBURY PARK, Nov. 21.—The investigation of the work of the Board of Freeholders was formally begun to-day. Expert Webber and Morton Coleman, the committee appointed by Chief Justice Beasley, arrived at Long Branch on the 11:30 train from Trenton, accompanied by Freeholders Frank Hyer, Joseph Butcher, Lyttleton White, J. W. Erickson, J. H. Hyer, D. Lane Conover, A. A. McCabe, John Guire, George B. Snyder and George Bailey, and Counselors John E. Lanning, C. Ewing, Patterson and E. Arrow-smith. The committee took a stage for the Pleasure Bay drawbridge.

There, Expert Webber proceeded to inspect the woodwork of the draw. The timbers were apparently rotten. Guire, Butcher, Erickson, Webber, Coleman, Snyder and W. H. Conover went out on the end of the draw. The object was to tilt the end as the draw would catch properly in the cog and move as of yore. The draw very curiously had caught when the Freeholders and the committee walked out on it. It was suggested by the draw-keeper that all walk towards the end. They walked there. At the opportune moment, just when in the nature of things such might be supposed to happen, the draw began to crack and drop and the wooden cross-bar protecting the turn-table broke in the middle.

Expert Webber, Committeeman Coleman and Counselor Lanning were evidently surprised. The position of the men was sufficiently perilous to warrant calling a railroad, and all hands were taken ashore without a winking. The opportune breaking and its dramatic effect may be better appreciated when it is known that the Freeholders were anxious to build a new draw at Pleasure Bay was claimed for the taxpayers that a new draw was unnecessary. No better time could have been chosen for a draw to break. It was plainly a special interposition of Providence intended to demonstrate the less integrity of the Board of Freeholders. It was in this way the walls fell at Jericho.

The awe-stricken crowd, after the rescue, adjourned to Dalton's Long Branch Hotel. Subsequently, Expert Webber and Coleman, this time unaccompanied by the Board of Freeholders, went to the culvert over the creek leading to Deal Pond. The bridge over this creek had collapsed some time ago. It was the late John Hoey. Relieved of the Jonah-like presence the several curious Freeholders, whose presence was neither asked nor required at any of the inspections, the experts were enabled to examine the bridge in safety.

It was certainly a very handsome bridge, and Providence was so good that it failed to break even with the weight of the two experts. Had the Board of Freeholders crossed at the same time, there is every reason to suppose, following the precedent set by the collapse of the Pleasure Bay draw, that the entire load would have sunk inconspicuously to the

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bottom of the creek. The committee was impressed with the idea that Mr. Hoey's bridge was a mighty handsome one. The committee then went to Freeholder McCabe's pet structure crossing Deal Lake. What they thought of this affair remains to be seen later. It is recorded, however, with some circumstantiality, that the bridge stood up like a major, and not a plank fell into the water. But this can be better appreciated when it is made known that Mr. McCabe's bridge is criticised, if at all, for a want of strength. It was shown beyond peradventure that the bridge could hold a complete investigating committee without breaking in the middle.

The committee will meet again next Tuesday and inspect Cooper's Bridge, at Red Bank. Cooper's is a very low bridge, and if it happens to fail in the nick of time, merely to illustrate the unsearchable decrees of Providence, at it were, no one will be the worse for it. No evidence will be taken until all the bridges under suspicion are investigated. In the meantime the committee is working in fear and trembling.

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DOES SEWELL OWN SIX?

Major Lents Denies That He Said Six Essex Assemblymen Would Vote for the Camden Boss.

For the past ten days or more the Essex boomers have industriously circulated a story attributing to Major Carl Lents the statement that six of the Essex delegation favor Gen. Sewell for United States Senator. The purpose of this was evident. If Major Lents, the militant head of the Republican organization in Essex, had really credited Sewell with so much strength right in Franklin Murphy's own citadel, of course the bottom would quickly drop out of Mr. Murphy's candidacy, because Major Lents rarely says things of such importance without knowing what he is talking about.

"But I never made any statement of the kind," Major Lents said yesterday to a World reporter. "I never said that Sewell had one vote or half a dozen votes or any votes at all in Essex, for the very good reason that I don't know anything at all about it. Except in so far as I've seen in the newspapers that Messrs. Olcott and Elsie are for Mr.

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23d St. West.

may report the necessity of building a jail. He says a new jail is as much needed as anything else. The present jail is not large enough, and no room is provided for witnesses. In conclusion he says: "The committee to whom the letter was referred should take into consideration the question of recommending to the next Legislature the construction of a new jail in accordance with the wealth and population of Hudson County."

WORK FOR BROOKLYN POLICE.

A Gang Allowed to Harass Citizens in the Twenty-first Precinct.

Joseph Attineas opened a little butcher shop a few weeks ago at No. 121 Navy street. A few nights ago he closed his shop and went out for a few minutes. When he returned he found his shop had been robbed.

He complained to the police that a gang of young ruffians were in the

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West 23d St.

habit of congregating nightly in the hallway adjoining his place, where they held high carnival, supplying themselves with beer by "holding up" passers-by. Members of the gang, it is alleged, boasted of having robbed different places in the neighborhood.

The police looked through the little butcher shop. They discredited the butcher's story of robbery, and although the "hang out" of the gang believed to be guilty was pointed out, they made no efforts to arrest any of the members.

The charge is made that the police made no pretense even of interfering with the "can gang" in this part of Navy street.

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